IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Raymond H. Bryden

Title: SILICON CARBIDE CERAMIC COMPONENTS HAVING OXIDE

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AMENDMENT IN SUPPORT OF RCE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 6, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: